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DELIMITATION COMMISSION INDIA

NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 8th Sept., 1954

S.R.O. 2937.—In pursuance of clauses (a) and (b) of sub-section (3) of section 8 of the Delimitation Commission Act, 1952 (LXXXI of 1952), the Delimitation Commission hereby publishes its proposals in respect of the distribution of the seats allotted to the State of West Bengal in the House of the People and the seats assigned to the Legislative Assembly of that State to territorial constituencies and the delimitation thereof in accordance with the provisions of sub-section (2) of the said section and specifies the 4th October, 1954, as the date on or after which the proposals will be further considered by it.

Any objections or suggestions in regard to these proposals should reach the Secretary of the Delimitation Commission (No. 2, Prithvi Raj Road, New Delhi) before the said date. It would facilitate prompt consideration if they are in English.

PROPOSALS

The territorial constituencies into which the State of West Bengal shall be divided for the purpose of elections to (a) the House of the People and (b) the Legislative Assembly of the State, the extent of each constituency, the number of seats allotted to each constituency and the number of seats, if any, reserved for the Scheduled Castes or, as the case may be, for

the Scheduled Tribes in each constituency shall be as shown in the following Tables:—

TABLE A—PARLIAMENTARY CONSTITUENCIES

Serial No.	Name of Constituency	Extent of Constituency	Total number of seats	Seats reserved for	
				Scheduled Castes	Scheduled Tribes
1	2	3	4	5	6
1	North Bengal	Darjeeling, Jalpaiguri and Cooch Behar districts.	3	1	1
2	West Dinajpur	West Dinajpur district .	1	Nil	Nil
3	Malda	Malda district (excluding Kaliachak police station).	1	Nil	Nil
4	Murshidabad	Lalbagh sub-division, Raghunathganj and Sagardighi police stations in Jangipur sub-division, and Domkal and Jalangi police stations in Sadar sub-division, of Murshidabad district.	1	Nil	Nil
5	Berhampore	Kandi sub-division, and Sadar sub-division (excluding Domkal and Jalangi police stations), of Murshidabad district.	1	Nil	Nil
6	Birbhum	Birbhum district ; Kaliachak police station in Malda district ; and Farakka, Samserganj and Suti police stations in Jangipur sub-division of Murshidabad district.	2	1	Nil
7	Katwa	Katwa and Kalna sub-divisions, and Memari police station, in Sadar sub-division, of Burdwan district.	1	Nil	Nil

Serial No.	Name of Constituency	Extent of Constituency	Total number of seats	Seats reserved for	
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I	2	3	4	5	6
8	Burdwan	Asansol sub-division, and Sadar sub-division, (excluding Memari police station), of Burdwan district.	2	1	Nil
9	Bankura	Bankura district ; and Goghat police station and Arambagh municipality in Arambagh sub-division of Hooghly district.	2	1	Nil
10	Hooghly	Chandernagore, Chinsurah, Polba, Magra, Balaghat, Pandua and Dhaniakhali police stations, and union No. 1 in Pursura police station, of Hooghly district ; and Santipur police station, Ranaghat police station (excluding unions Nos. 3 to 12), and unions Nos. 1, 2, 5 and 6 in Hanskhali police station, in Ranaghat sub-division of Nadia district.	1	Nil	Nil
11	Serampore	Serampore, Uttarpara, Ba dreswar, Singur, Chanditala, Jangipara, Haripal and Tarakeswar police stations, and Pursura police station (excluding union No. 1), of Hooghly district.	1	Nil	Nil
12	Howrah	Sadar sub-division (excluding Sankrail and Panchla police stations) of Howrah district.	1	Nil	Nil

Serial No.	Name of Constituency	Extent of Constituency	Total number of seats	Seats reserved for	
				Scheduled Castes	Scheduled Tribes
1	2	3	4	5	6
13	Uluberia	Uluberia sub-division (excluding unions Nos. 1 and 4 to 10 in Shyampur police station) ; and Sankrail and Panchla police stations in Sadar sub-division of Howrah district.	1	Nil	Nil
14	Ghatal	Ghatal sub-division, and Panskura police station, and unions Nos. 1, 4 and 5 in Tamluk police station, in Tamluk sub-division, of Midnapore district ; and Khanakul police station, and Arambagh police station (excluding Arambagh municipality), in Arambagh sub-division of Hooghly district.	1	Nil	Nil
15	Midnapore	Jhargram and Sadar North sub-divisions, and Sadar South sub-division (excluding unions Nos. 4 to 9 in Pingla police station), of Midnapore district.	2	Nil	1
16	Contai	Contai sub-division of Midnapore district.	1	Nil	Nil
17	Tamluk	Tamluk sub-division (excluding Panskura police station and unions Nos. 1, 4 and 5 in Tamluk police station), and unions Nos. 4 to 9 in Pingla police station in Sadar South	1	Nil	Nil

Serial No.	Name of Constituency	Extent of Constituency	Total number of seats	Seats reserved for	
				Scheduled Castes	Scheduled Tribes
1	2	3	4	5	6
18	Calcutta North-West	sub-division, of Midnapore district ; and unions Nos. 1 and 4 to 10 in Syampur police station in Uluberia sub-division of Howrah district. Wards Nos. 1, 3, 6 to 9, 11, 12, 17 to 23 and 25 of Calcutta Corporation; and Dum Dum police station, Baranagar municipality and wards Nos. 3 and 4 in Kamarhati municipality in Baranagar police station, and union No. 2 in Khardah police station, in Barrackpore sub-division of 24 Parganas district.	1	Nil	Nil
19	Calcutta North-East	Wards Nos. 2, 4, 5, 10, 13 to 16, 28 to 36 and 43 to 45 of Calcutta Corporation.	1	Nil	Nil
20	Calcutta South-East	Wards Nos. 46 to 51, 55 to 64, 68, 69 and 76 to 80 of Calcutta Corporation.	1	Nil	Nil
21	Calcutta South-West	Wards Nos. 24, 26, 27, 37 to 42, 52 to 54, 65 to 67 and 70 to 75 of Calcutta Corporation; and Fort William Area and Port Area.	1	Nil	Nil
22	Behala	Matiaburz, Maheshtala, Behala, Sonarpur, Tollyganj, Bishnupur and Budge Budge police stations in Sadar sub-division of 24 Parganas district.	1	Nil	Nil

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1	2	3	4	5	6
23	Diamond Harbour	Diamond Harbour sub-division, and Bhargar, Baraipur and Jaynagar police stations, and Canning police station (excluding union No. 3), in Sadar sub-division of 24 Parganas district.	2	1	Nil
24	Basirhat	Basirhat and Bongaon sub-divisions, Barasat sub-division (excluding Barasat municipality and unions Nos. 1 to 10 in Barasat police station), and union No. 3 in Canning police station, in Sadar sub-division of 24 Parganas district ; and Haringhata and Chakdah police stations, and unions Nos. 3 to 12 in Ranaghat police station, in Ranaghat sub-division of Nadia district.	2	1	Nil
25	Barrackpore	Barrackpore sub-division (excluding Dum Dum police station, Baranagar municipality and wards Nos. 3 and 4 in Kamarhati municipality in Baranagar police station and union No. 2 in Khardah police station), and Barasat municipality and unions Nos. 1 to 10 in Barasat police station in Barasat sub-division of 24 Parganas district.	1	Nil	Nil

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1	2	3	4	5	6
26	Nabadwip	Krishnagar sub-division, and Hanskhali police station (excluding unions Nos. 1, 2, 5 and 6) in Ranaghat sub-division, of Nadia district.	1	Nil	Nil

TABLE B—ASSEMBLY CONSTITUENCIES

Serial No.	Name of Constituency	Extent of Constituency	Total number of seats	Seats reserved for	
				Scheduled Castes	Scheduled Tribes
1	2	3	4	5	6
DARJEELING DISTRICT					
1	Kalimpong	Kalimpong sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
2	Darjeeling	Darjeeling and Pulbazar police station in Sadar sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
3	Jore Bungalow	Sadar sub-division (excluding Darjeeling and Pulbazar police stations); and Mirik police station in Kurseong sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
4	Silguri	Silguri sub-division; and Kurseong sub-division (excluding Mirik police station).	2	Nil	1
JALPAIGURI DISTRICT					
5	Jalpaiguri	Jalpaiguri and Raiganj police stations, and unions Nos. 4, 5, 9 and 10 in Mainaguri police station, in Sadar sub-division.	2	1	Nil
6	Mal	Mal and Matiali police stations, and Mainaguri police station (excluding unions Nos. 4, 5, 9 and 10), in Sadar sub-division;	2	Nil	1
7	Dhupguri	Dhupguri and Nagrakata police stations in Sadar sub-division; and Falakata police station in Alipur Duars sub-division.	2	1	Nil

Serial No.	Name of Constituency	Extent of Constituency	Total number of seats	Seats reserved for	
				Scheduled Castes	Scheduled Tribes
1	2	3	4	5	6
8	Kalchini	Kalchini and Madarihat police stations, and unions Nos. 1 to 5, 8 and 13 and Mathura Tea Estate, Sreenathpur Tea Estate, Patkapara Tea Estate and Majherdabri Tea Estate and Nilpara Forest Range and Chilapata Forest Range in Alipur Duars police station in Alipur Duars sub-division.	2	Nil	1
9	Alipur Duars	Kumargram police station, and Alipur Duars police station (excluding unions Nos. 1 to 5, 8 and 13 and Mathura Tea Estate, Sreenathpur Tea Estate, Patkapara Tea Estate and Majherdabri Tea Estate and Nilpara Forest Range and Chilapata Forest Range) in Alipur Duars sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
COOCH BEHAR DISTRICT					
10	Tufanganj	Tufanganj sub-division .	1	Nil	Nil
11	Cooch Behar	Cooch Behar sub-division.	2	1	Nil
12	Dinhata	Dinhata sub-division ; and Sitalkuchi police station in Mathabhanga sub-division.	2	1	Nil
13	Mathabhanga	Mathabhanga sub-division (excluding Sitalkuchi police station).	1	1	Nil

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1	2	3	4	5	6
14	Mekliganj	Mekliganj sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
WEST DINAJPUR DISTRICT					
15	Balurghat	Hili, Balurghat and Tapan police stations in Balurghat sub-division.	2	Nil	1
16	Gangarampur	Kumarganj and Gangarampur police stations in Balurghat sub-division ; and Kushmandi police station, and Bansihari police station (excluding unions Nos. 1 and 6 to 8), in Raiganj sub-division.	2	Nil	1
17	Raiganj	Raiganj, Hemtabad and Kaliaganj police stations in Raiganj sub-division.	2	1	Nil
18	Itahar	Itahar police station, and unions Nos. 1 and 6 to 8 in Bansihari police station, in Raiganj sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
MALDA DISTRICT					
19	Kharba	Kharba police station.	1	Nil	Nil
20	Harishchandrapur	Harishchandrapur police station.	1	Nil	Nil
21	Ratuna	Ratuna and Manikchak police stations.	2	1	Nil
22	Malda	Malda, Habibpur, Bamangola and Gazole police stations.	2	Nil	1

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1	2	3	4	5	6
23	Englishbazar	Englishbazar police station.	1	Nil	Nil
24	Sujapur	Unions Nos. 1 to 7, 9 and 10 of Kaliachak police station.	1	Nil	Nil
25	Kaliachak	Kaliachak police station (excluding unions Nos. 1 to 7, 9 and 10).	1	Nil	Nil
MURSHIDABAD DISTRICT					
26	Farakka	Farakka police station, and Samserganj police station (excluding unions Nos. 2 and 4), in Jangipur sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
27	Suti	Suti police station, and unions Nos. 2 and 4 in Samserganj police station, in Jangipur sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
28	Jangipur	Raghunathganj and Sagardighi police stations in Jangipur sub-division.	2	1	Nil
29	Murshidabad	Murshidabad and Nabagram police stations in Lalbagh sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
30	Lalgola	Lalgola police station, and unions Nos. 3 and 4 in Bhagwangola police station, in Lalbagh sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
31	Bhagwangola	Jiaganj police station, Bhagwangola police station (excluding unions Nos. 3 and 4), and unions Nos. 1 and 2 in Raninagar police station, in Lalbagh sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil

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1	2	3	4	5	6
32	Raninagar	Raninagar police station (excluding unions Nos. 1 and 2) in Lalbagh sub-division ; and Jalangi police station (excluding unions Nos. 4 and 5) in Sadar sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
33	Domkal	Domkal police station, and unions Nos. 4 and 5 in Jalangi police station, in Sadar sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
34	Hariharpara	Hariharpara police station, and unions Nos. 4 to 8 in Berhampore police station, in Sadar sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
35	Berhampore	Berhampore police station (excluding unions Nos. 4 to 8) in Berhampore sub-division ; and unions Nos. 2 and 3 in Kandi police station in Kandi sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
36	Noada	Noada police station, and unions Nos. 2, 6, 7, 9 and 10 in Beldanga police station, in Sadar sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
37	Beldanga	Beldanga police station (excluding unions Nos. 2, 6, 7, 9 and 10) in Sadar sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
38	Bharatpur	Bharatpur police station in Kandi sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil

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1	2	3	4	5	6
39	Kandi	Kandi sub-division (excluding Bharatpur police station and unions Nos. 2 and 3 in Kandi police station).	2	1	Nil
BIRBHUM DISTRICT					
40	Mururai	Mururai and Nalhati police stations in Rampurhat sub-division.	2	1	Nil
41	Rampurhat	Rampurhat and Mayureswar police stations in Rampurhat sub-division.	2	1	Nil
42	Suri	Suri, Sainthia and Mahmudbazar police stations in Sadar sub-division.	2	Nil	1
43	Rajnagar	Rajnagar, Khoyrasol, Illambazar and Dubrajpur police stations in Sadar sub-division.	2	1	Nil
44	Bolpur	Bolpur police station, and unions Nos. 8 to 12 in Nanur police station, in Sadar sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
45	Labpur	Labpur police station, and Nanur police station (excluding unions Nos. 8 to 12), in Sadar sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
BURDWAN DISTRICT					
46	Ketugram	Ketugram and Mangalkote police stations, and unions Nos. 1 and 4 in Katwa police station, in Katwa sub-division.	2	1	Nil
47	Katwa	Katwa police station (excluding unions Nos. 1 and 4) in Katwa sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil

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1	2	3	4	5	6
48	Purbasthali	Purbasthali police station in Kalna sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
49	Manteswar	Manteswar police station in Kalna sub-division ; and unions Nos. 1, 3 and 5 in Memari police station in Sadar sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
50	Kalna	Kalna police station in Kalna sub-division ; and Memari police station (excluding unions Nos. 1, 3 and 5) in Sadar sub-division.	2	Nil	1
51	Raina	Raina and Jamalpur police stations, and unions Nos. 7 to 9 in Khandaghosh police station, in Sadar sub-division.	2	1	Nil
52	Burdwan	Burdwan police station (excluding unions Nos. 1, 2, 4, 5, 6 and 8) in Sadar sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
53	Bhatar	Bhatar police station, Khandaghosh police station (excluding unions Nos. 7 to 9), unions Nos. 1, 2, 4, 5, 6 and 8 in Burdwan police station, and unions Nos. 7, 8, 10, 11 and 12 in Ausgram police station, in Sadar sub-division.	2	1	N

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1	2	3	4	5	6
54	Galsi	Galsi police station, and Ausgram police station (excluding unions Nos. 7, 8, 10, 11 and 12), in Sadar sub-division; and Kanksa police station in Asansol sub-division.	2	1	Nil
55	Ondal	Faridpur, Ondal and Raniganj police stations in Asansol sub-division.	2	1	Nil
56	Jamuria	Jamuria, Baraboni and Chittaranjan police stations, and Salanpur police station (excluding union No. 2), in Asansol sub-division.	2	1	Nil
57	Kulti	Kulti police station (excluding union No. 3), and union No. 2 in Salanpur police station, in Asansol sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
58	Hirapur	Hirapur police station, union No. 3 in Kulti police station, and union No. 2 in Asansol police station, in Asansol sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
59	Asansol	Asansol police station (excluding union No. 2) in Asansol sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil

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	BANKURA DISTRICT				
60	Gangajalghati	Gangajalghati, Mejhia and Saltora police stations, and unions Nos. 1, 2, 3, 10 and 11 in Bankura police station, in Sadar sub-division.	2	1	Nil
61	Bankura	Bankura police station, (excluding unions Nos. 1, 2, 3, 10 and 11) in Sadar sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
62	Chhatna	Chhatna police station, and union No. 1 in Indupur police station, in Sadar sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
63	Onda	Indupur police station (excluding union No. 1), Onda police station, and Khatra police station (excluding unions Nos. 9 to 11), in Sadar sub-division.	2	1	Nil
64	Raipur	Ranibandh and Raipur police stations and unions Nos. 9 to 11 in Khatra police station, in Sadar sub-division.	2	Nil	1
65	Taldangra	Taldangra and Simlapal police stations in Sadar sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil

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1	2	3	4	5	6
66	Vishnupur	Vishnupur and Sonamukhi police stations in Vishnupur sub-division, and Barjora police station in Sadar sub-division.	2	1	Nil
67	Patrasayer	Kotulpur, Indas, Patrasayer and Joypur police stations in Vishnupur sub-division.	2	1	Nil
HOOGHLY DISTRICT					
68	Arambagh	Goghat police station and Arambagh municipality in Arambagh police station.	1	Nil	Nil
69	Khanakul	Khanakul police station and Arambagh police station (excluding Arambagh municipality).	2	1	Nil
70	Tarkeswar	Tarkeswar police station and Pursura police station (excluding union No. 1).	1	Nil	Nil
71	Dhaniakhali	Dhaniakhali police station, Polba police station (excluding unions Nos. 8 to 12), Pandua police station (excluding unions Nos. 7 to 12), and union No. 1 in Pursura police station.	2	1	Nil

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1	2	3	4	5	6
72	Balagarh	Balagarh police station, and unions Nos. 7 to 12 in Pandua police station.	1	Nil	Nil
73	Chinsurah	Magra police station and Chinsurah police station (excluding union No. 1).	1	Nil	Nil
74	Chandernagore	Chandernagore police station, union No. 1 in Chinsurah police station, and unions Nos. 8 to 12 in Polba police station.	1	Nil	Nil
75	Bhadreswar	Bhadreswar police station and Baidyabati municipality in Serampore police station.	1	Nil	Nil
76	Serampore	Serampore police station (excluding Baidyabati municipality).	1	Nil	Nil
77	Uttarpara	Uttarpara police station, and unions Nos. 4, 5 and 7 in Chanditala police station.	1	Nil	Nil
78	Singur	Singur police station, and union No. 2 in Haripal police station.	1	Nil	Nil
79	Jangipara	Jangipara police station, Haripal police station (excluding union No. 2), and Chanditala police station (excluding unions Nos. 4, 5 and 7).	2	1	Nil

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	HOWRAH DISTRICT				
80	Domjur	Jagatballavpur and Domjur police stations and Bally police station (excluding Bally municipality), in Sadar sub-division.	2	1	Nil
81	Bally	Bally municipality ; and ward No. 1 of Howrah municipality.	1	Nil	Nil
82	Howrah North	Wards Nos. 2 to 4 of Howrah municipality.	1	Nil	Nil
83	Howrah West	Wards Nos. 5 and 6 of Howrah municipality.	1	Nil	Nil
84	Howrah East	Wards Nos. 7 and 8 of Howrah municipality.	1	Nil	Nil
85	Howrah South	Wards Nos. 9 and 10 of Howrah municipality (including Botanic Garden) ; and Jagacha police station in Sadar sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
86	Sankrail	Sankrail and Panchla police stations in Sadar sub-division; and Bauria police station in Uluberia sub-division.	2	1	Nil
87	Uluberia North	Unions Nos. 1 to 4 and 6 in Uluberia police station, and union No. 3 in Bagnan police station, in Uluberia sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil

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1	2	3	4	5	6
88	Uluberia South	Uluberia police station (excluding unions Nos. 1 to 4 and 6), and unions Nos. 2 and 3 in Shyampur police station, in Uluberia sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
89	Shyampur	Shyampur police station (excluding unions Nos. 2 and 3) in Uluberia sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
90	Bagnan	Bagnan police station (excluding union No. 3) in Uluberia sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
91	Amta South	Unions Nos. 6 to 15 in Amta police station in Uluberia sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
92	Amta North	Amta police station (excluding unions Nos. 6 to 15) in Uluberia sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
MIDNAPORE DISTRICT					
93	Daspur	Daspur police station (excluding unions Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 9) in Ghatal sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
94	Ghatal	Ghatal and Chandra-kona police stations, and unions Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 9 in Daspur police station, in Ghatal sub-division.	2	1	Nil
95	Garhbeta	Garhbeta police station, and Keshpur police station (excluding unions Nos. 12 to 16), in Sadar North sub-division.	2	1	Nil

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1	2	3	4	5	6
96	Midnapore	Midnapore police station in Sadar sub-division; and unions Nos. 8 and 9 in Jhargram police station in Jhargram sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
97	Binpur	Binpur police station in Jhargram sub-division and Salbani police station in Sadar North sub-division.	2	Nil	1
98	Jhargram	Jhargram police station (excluding unions Nos. 8 and 9), and Jambani police station (excluding unions Nos. 4 and 7), in Jhargram sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
99	Gopiballavpur	Gopiballavpur, Sankrail and Nayagram police stations, and unions Nos. 4 and 7 in Jambani police station, in Jhargram sub-division.	2	Nil	1
100	Kharagpur Town	Kharagpur town police station (excluding Inda ward) in Sadar South sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
101	Kharagpur Local	Kharagpur Local and Keshiari police stations, Inda ward of Kharagpur town police station, unions Nos. 1 and 2 in Dantan police station, and	2	1	Nil

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				Scheduled Castes	Scheduled Tribes
1	2	3	4	5	6
		Narayangarh police station (excluding unions Nos. 3 to 6 and 14 to 16), in Sadar South sub-division.			
102	Debra	Debra police station, and unions Nos. 1 to 3 in Pingla police station in Sadar South sub-division; and unions Nos. 12 to 16 in Keshpur police station in Sadar North sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
103	Sabong	Sabong police station, and unions Nos. 3 to 6 and 14 to 16 in Narayangarh police station, in Sadar South sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
104	Dantan	Mohanpur police station, and Dantan police station (excluding unions Nos. 1 and 2), in Sadar South sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
105	Pataspur	Pataspur police station in Contai sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
106	Egra	Egra police station in Contai sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
107	Ramnagar	Ramnagar police station in Contai sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
108	Contai South	Contai police station (excluding unions Nos. 1 to 9) in Contai sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil

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1	2	3	4	5	6
109	Contai North	Unions Nos. 1 to 9 in Contai police station, and unions Nos. 13 and 14 in Bhagwanpur police station, in Contai sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
110	Bhagwanpur	Khejuri police station, and Bhagwanpur police station (excluding unions Nos. 13 and 14), in Contai sub-division.	2	1	Nil
111	Panskura West	Panskura police station (excluding unions Nos. 6, 7, 8, 15 and 16) in Tamluk sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
112	Panskura East	Unions Nos. 6, 7, 8, 15 and 16 in Panskura police station, and unions Nos. 1, 4 and 5 in Tamluk police station, in Tamluk sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
113	Tamluk	Tamluk police station (excluding unions Nos. 1, 4, 5 and 13) in Tamluk sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
114	Nandigram North	Unions Nos. 1 to 5 in Nandigram police station, and unions Nos. 1, 2, 6 and 7 in Mahishadal police station, in Tamluk sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil

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				Scheduled Castes	Scheduled Tribes
1	2	3	4	5	6
115	Nandigram South	Nandigram police station (excluding unions Nos. 1 to 5) in Tamluk sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
116	Mahishadal	Sutahata police station, Mahishadal police station (excluding unions Nos. 1, 2, 6 and 7), and union No. 13 in Tamluk police station, in Tamluk sub-division.	2	1	Nil
117	Moyna	Moyna police station in Tamluk sub-division ; and unions Nos. 4 to 9 in Pingla police station in Sadar South sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
CALCUTTA DISTRICT					
118	Satpukur	Wards Nos. 1, 3 and 7 of Calcutta Corporation.	1	Nil	Nil
119	Cossipur	Wards Nos. 2, 4 and 5 of Calcutta Corporation.	1	Nil	Nil
120	Shampukur	Wards Nos. 6, 8, 9 and 17 of Calcutta Corporation.	1	Nil	Nil
121	Burtolla North	Wards Nos. 10, 13 and 14 of Calcutta Corporation.	1	Nil	Nil
122	Burtolla South	Wards Nos. 11, 12 and 20 of Calcutta Corporation.	1	Nil	Nil

Serial No.	Name of Constituency	Extent of Constituency	Total number of seats	Seats reserved for	
				Scheduled Castes	Scheduled Tribes
1	2	3	4	5	6
123	Manicktola	Wards Nos. 15, 16 and 36 of Calcutta Corporation.	1	Nil	Nil
124	Jorasanko	Wards Nos. 18, 19 and 25 of Calcutta Corporation.	1	Nil	Nil
125	Jorabagan	Wards Nos. 21 to 23 of Calcutta Corporation.	1	Nil	Nil
126	Bara Bazar	Wards Nos. 24, 26, 27, 37, 38 and 39 of Calcutta Corporation.	1	Nil	Nil
127	Sukea Street	Wards Nos. 28, 32 and 34 of Calcutta Corporation.	1	Nil	Nil
128	Vidyasagar	Wards Nos. 29 to 31 of Calcutta Corporation.	1	Nil	Nil
129	Belighata	Wards Nos. 33 and 35 of Calcutta Corporation.	1	Nil	Nil
130	Bow Bazar	Wards Nos. 40 to 42 of Calcutta Corporation.	1	Nil	Nil
131	Muchipara	Wards Nos. 43 to 45 of Calcutta Corporation.	1	Nil	Nil
132	Taltola	Wards Nos. 46, 50 and 51 of Calcutta Corporation.	1	Nil	Nil
133	Entally	Wards Nos. 47 to 49 and 55 to 58 of Calcutta Corporation.	2	1	Nil

Serial No.	Name of Constituency	Extent of Constituency	Total number of seats	Seats reserved for	
				Scheduled Castes	Scheduled Tribes
1	2	3	4	5	6
134	Chowringhee	Wards Nos. 52 to 54 of Calcutta Corporation.	1	Nil	Nil
135	Bhawanipur	Wards Nos. 59, 68 and 69 of Calcutta Corporation.	1	Nil	Nil
136	Ballyganj	Wards Nos. 60, 61 and 76 of Calcutta Corporation.	1	Nil	Nil
137	Rashbehari Avenue	Wards Nos. 62 to 64 of Calcutta Corporation.	1	Nil	Nil
138	Alipore	Wards Nos. 65 and 72 of Calcutta Corporation.	1	Nil	Nil
139	Kalighat	Wards Nos. 66, 67 and 70 of Calcutta Corporation.	1	Nil	Nil
140	Ekdalpore	Wards Nos. 71, 73 and 74 of Calcutta Corporation.	1	Nil	Nil
141	Fort	Ward No. 75 of Calcutta Corporation, Fort William area and Port area.	1	Nil	Nil
142	Tollygunj	Wards Nos. 77 to 80 of Calcutta Corporation.	1	Nil	Nil
24 PARGANAS DISTRICT					
143	Garden Reach	Garden Reach municipality in Matiaburz police station in Sadar subdivision.	1	Nil	Nil
144	Behala	Behala police station (excluding union No. 1), in Sadar subdivision.	1	Nil	Nil

Serial No.	Name of Constituency	Extent of Constituency	Total number of seats	Seats reserved for	
				Scheduled Castes	Scheduled Tribes
1	2	3	4	5	6
145	Maheshtola	Maheshtola police station (excluding union No. 3), union No. 1 in Matiaburz police station, and union No. 1 in Behala police station, in Sadar sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
146	Budge Budge	Budge Budge police station (excluding unions Nos. 1, 2, 4 and 8), and union No. 3 in Maheshtola police station, in Sadar sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
147	Bishnupur West	Unions Nos. 3, 4, 8 and 11 in Bishnupur police station, and unions Nos. 1, 2, 4 and 8 in Budge Budge police station, in Sadar sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
148	Sonarpur	Sonarpur and Tollyganj police stations, and Bishnupur police station (excluding unions Nos. 3, 4, 8 and 11), in Sadar sub-division.	2	1	Nil
149	Baruipur	Baruipur police station in Sadar sub-division ; and Magrahat police station (excluding unions Nos. 9 to 12, 14 and 15) in Diamond Harbour sub-division.	2	1	Nil

Serial No.	Name of Constituency	Extent of Constituency	Total number of seats	Seats reserved for	
				Scheduled Castes	Scheduled Tribes
1	2	3	4	5	6
150	Falta	Falta police station, and union No. 1 in Diamond Harbour police station, in Diamond Harbour sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
151	Diamond Harbour	Diamond Harbour police station (excluding union No. 1) in Diamond Harbour sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
152	Kulpi	Kulpi police station, and unions Nos. 9 to 12, 14 and 15 in Magrahat police station, in Diamond Harbour sub-division.	2	1	Nil
153	Kakdwip	Sagar police station, and Kakdwip police station (excluding unions Nos. 1 to 4), in Diamond Harbour sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
154	Mathurapur	Mathurapur police station, (excluding unions Nos. 2, 3 and 4), and unions Nos. 1 to 4 in Kakdwip police station, in Diamond Harbour sub-division.	2	1	Nil
155	Joynagar	Unions Nos. 2, 3 and 4 in Mathurapur police station in Diamond Harbour sub-division ; and Joynagar police station (excluding unions Nos. 4 and 5) in Sadar sub-division.	2	1	Nil
156	Bhangar	Bhangar police station in Sadar sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil

Serial No.	Name of Constituency	Extent of Constituency	Total number of seats	Seats reserved for	
				Scheduled Castes	Scheduled Tribes
1	2	3	4	5	6
157	Canning	Canning police station (excluding union No. 3), and unions Nos. 4 and 5 in Joynagar police station, in Sadar sub-division.	2	1	Nil
158	Sandeshkhali	Sandeshkhali police station, and union No. 8 and protected forest in Hasnabad police station in Basirhat sub-division; and union No. 3 in Canning police station in Sadar sub-division.	2	1	Nil
159	Haroa	Haroa police station in Basirhat sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
160	Hasnabad	Hasnabad police station (excluding union No. 8 and protected forest), and unions Nos. 1 to 4 and 7 in Basirhat police station, in Basirhat sub-division.	2	1	Nil
161	Basirhat	Basirhat police station (excluding unions Nos. 1 to 4 and 7), and Baduria police station (excluding unions Nos. 1 to 4), in Basirhat sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
162	Swarupnagar	Swarupnagar police station, and unions Nos. 1 to 4 in Baduria police station, in Basirhat sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil

Serial No.	Name of Constituency	Extent of Constituency	Total number of seats	Seats reserved for	
				Scheduled Castes	Scheduled Tribes
1	2	3	4	5	6
163	Deganga	Deganga and Rajarhat police stations, Barasat police station (excluding Barasat municipality and unions Nos. 1 to 10), and Habra police station (excluding unions Nos. 1 to 9), in Barasat sub-division.	2	1	Nil
164	Amdanga	Amdanga police station, and unions Nos. 1 to 9 in Habra police station, in Barasat sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
165	Barasat	Barasat municipality and unions Nos. 1 to 10 in Barasat police station in Barasat sub-division ; and union No. 1 in Titagarh police station, and union No 1 in Khardah police station, in Barrackpore sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
166	Dum Dum	Dum Dum police station, and union No. 2 in Khardah police station, in Barrackpore sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
167	Baranagar	Wards Nos. 3 and 4 in Kamarhati municipality and Baranagar municipality in Baranagar police station, in Barrackpore sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil

Serial No.	Name of Constituency	Extent of Constituency	Total number of seats	Seats reserved for	
				Scheduled Castes	Scheduled Tribes
1	2	3	4	5	6
168	Khardah	Khardah and Panihati municipalities in Khardah police station, and Kamarhati municipality (excluding wards Nos. 3 and 4) in Baranagar police station, in Barrackpore sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
169	Titagarh	Titagarh and Barrackpore municipalities.	1	Nil	Nil
170	Naopara	Naopara and Barrackpore police stations, and union No. 2 in Jagatdal police station, in Barrackpore sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
171	Bhatpara	Bhatpara municipality (excluding ward No. 1) in Barrackpore sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
172	Naihati	Naihati police station, and ward No. 1 in Bhatpara municipality, and union No. 1 in Jagatdal police station, in Barrackpore sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
173	Bijpur	Bijpur police station, in Barrackpore sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
174	Bongaon	Bongaon sub-division.	2	1	Nil
175	Haringhata	Haringhata police station, and Chakdah police station (excluding Chakdah municipality and unions Nos. 1, 6, 7, 8 and 10).	1	Nil	Nil

NADIA DISTRICT

Serial No.	Name of Constituency	Extent of Constituency	Total number of seats	Seats reserved for	
				Scheduled Castes	Scheduled Tribes
1	2	3	4	5	6
176	C hadah	Chakdah municipality and unions Nos. 1, 6, 7, 8 and 10 in Chakdah police station, and unions Nos. 3 to 12 in Ranaghat police station, in Ranaghat sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
177	Santipur	Santipur police station, Ranaghat police station (excluding unions Nos. 3 to 12), and unions Nos. 1, 2, 5 and 6 in Hanskhali police station, in Ranaghat sub-division.	2	1	Nil
178	Nabadwip	Nabadwip police station, and unions Nos. 5 and 6 in Krishnagar police station, in Krishnagar sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
179	Krishnagar	Krishnagar police station (excluding unions Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 9, 10 and 11) in Krishnagar sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
180	Chapra	Chapra and Krishnaganj police stations, unions Nos. 1, 2, 3, 9, 10 and 11 in Krishnagar police station, and unions Nos. 5, 6, 7 and 9 in Nakasipara police station in Krishnagar sub-division; and Hanskhali police station (excluding unions Nos. 1, 2, 5 and 6) in Ranaghat sub-division.	2	1	Nil

Serial No.	Name of Constituency	Extent of Constituency	Total number of seats	Seats reserved for	
				Scheduled Castes	Scheduled Tribes
1	2	3	4	5	6
181	Nakasipara	Nakasipara police station (excluding Unions Nos. 5, 6, 7 and 9), and Kaliganj police station (excluding Unions Nos. 7, 8, 9 and 11), in Krishnagar sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
182	Tehatta	Tehatta police station (excluding Unions Nos. 9, 10 and 11), and Unions Nos. 7, 8, 9 and 11 in Kaliganj police station, in Krishnagar sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil
183	Karimpur	Karimpur police station, and Unions Nos. 9, 10 and 11 in Tehatta police station, in Krishnagar sub-division.	1	Nil	Nil

MINUTES OF DISSENT

(I)

According to me,—

The general principles in delimiting constituencies of the Parliaments and/or the State Assemblies as emaciated by the Constitution, the Delimitation Commission Act, and the practice followed in forming of constituencies during last election are administrative units, contiguous area and good communication and the uniformity of the population strength. The Constitution has provided that after each census a Commission is to be set up to delimit the constituencies in accordance with the change in the population figure and if necessary the constituency will have to be delimited anew. In our country the area of our constituencies are often large and communication are not easy, which generally makes it difficult for a representative to reach conveniently each and every part of this constituency in order to nurse in properly and have closer contact with his electorate. In our country a new experiment is being made in Parliamentary democracy healthy development whereof depends largely upon the ability of the representative to keep closer contact with the electorate and express their point of view correctly which is only possible if the representative has personal knowledge of the matter and the problem involved. Therefore it is absolutely necessary not to change the constituencies and as far as possible with each and every delimitation work. If it becomes imperative to alter a constituency because of population variation, special effort should be made in delimiting a constituency afresh to restrict its alteration to the minimum with the idea of keeping it to the limits of the old constituency. I have therefore stated below the items which I could not agree with the views of the Commissioner with reason therefor,—

Basirhat Parliamentary.—I have been unable to appreciate the reason for changing this constituency which has also necessitated the change of the scheme of the entire parliamentary constituency of the 24 Parganas. However if the Commissioner's proposal is to be accepted it is absolutely necessary and logically correct to form a constituency composed of Basirhat, Barasat and Bongaon sub-division and Dum Dum crackpore sub-division. This delimitation will keep three

sub-divisions of Basirhat, Barasat and Bongaon in tact and by inclusion of Dum Dum Seat to make up necessary components it will also limit to the existing constituency with minimum alteration as necessitated by the alternative scheme.—

It will not basically alter the character of Barrackpore Seat which will have given up three seats to Calcutta North-West and Basirhat to Nadia may be added to it to make up the requisite numbers.

State Assembly.

Sonarpur Seat.—The demarcation line should be drawn along the Diamond Harbour Road as suggested earlier. I therefore suggest that Union 12 of Bishnupur P.S. should be added to the Bishnupur constituency and therefore if necessary Union No. 1 (Bowali) of Budge Budge P.S. may be taken away from Bishnupur and added to Budge Budge Seat.—

I suggest the alteration to the Joy Nagore, Canning and Mathurapur constituencies in the following manner as they are more contiguous and convenient.—

Joy Nagore—Joy Nagore P.S. (excluding Unions 3 & 4) and Unions 1, 2, 3 of Mathurapur.

Canning—Canning P.S. (excluding Union 3) and Unions Nos. 3 & 4 of Joy Nagore P.S.

Mathurapur—Mathurapur P.S. (excluding Unions, 1, 2, 3) and Unions 1 to 4 of Kakdwip P.S.

I cannot accept the manner in which Baripore has been tagged to part of Mograhat with which it has very bad or practically no communication and also no economic relation. If Baripore has to be tagged with any other part it should be with adjoining part of Joy Nagore.

Regarding Burdwan Constituency.—The original suggestion of the Delimitation Commission viz, Burdwan Police Station excluding Unions Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5, 8 is to be retained. Instead of that to tag Union 4 (Bandul) and Union 6 (Kurmun) with the police station of Khandaghosh is the height of absurdity because Union No. 4 is more than 30 miles away

from the other extremity of Khandaghosh and Union No. 6 is nearly twenty miles away. There is absolutely no communication in between these two areas. If Unions Nos. 4 and 6 are included in the Burdwan constituency according to the previous suggestion of the Delimitation Commission and Unions Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5, 8 are tagged with Khandaghosh Police Station then that will be more suitable both from the point of view of contiguity and compactness. In this arrangement no place will be at a distance of more than fifteen miles.

Regarding Bhatar Constituency.—This is another absurd proposition and that too without any plausible reason. Why at all Khandaghosh Police Station is to be tagged with Bhatar Police Station through a corridor of some Unions of Burdwan Police Station when the Galsi Police Station is just on the opposite side of the Damodar river. The argument of the Damodar river does not at all arise here as the Bhatar Police Station is also on the other bank of the Damodar the only difference is that it is further away from the Khandaghosh Police Station. Both Khandaghosh and Galsi are stretched along the bank of the Damodar and have common frontier along the river bank for nearly 12 miles. So Bhatar constituency is to be formed as follows:—

“Ausgram and Bhatar U.S. in Sadar and Kanksa P.S. in Asansol Sub-division”.

Regarding Galsi Constituency.—With the same argument as has been given in the case of Bhatar constituency Galsi constituency is to be formed as follows:—

“Galsi and Khandaghosh P.S. and Unions 1 to 3, 5 and 8 in Burdwan P.S. in Sadar Sub-division”.

KAMAL KUMAR BASU, M.P.,
Associate Member.

(II)

We have carefully studied the Delimitation Commission's revised draft proposals for delimitation of constituencies in West Bengal. We offer the following comments.

CALCUTTA.

We have seen the State Government's proposals for Assembly constituencies in this area, which are already with the Commission, and we think that these proposals should be

accepted for the following reasons. In our opinion the Commission's proposals show very wide variations in the number of people represented by each Assembly member in this area, although the average number should be in the neighbourhood of 104,974, which has been closely adhered to in the State Governments proposals. In the Commission's proposals while there are seats & 93,787, 94,341, 95,608, 95,428, 96,215, 97,018, 97,608, 99,672, etc. there are also seats & 108,972, 109,479, 112,746, 113,936, 113,593, 113,936, 114,599, 114,430, etc. It is, of course, noticed that the Commission has avoided breaking up the municipal wards while a few wards have been broken up in the State Government's proposals. In our opinion it is far more desirable, indeed in correct accordance with the direction of the Constitution in this behalf, that the number of people represented by each Assembly member in a constituency should be the same as far as practicable (if necessary, by breaking up wards in forming the constituency) than that there should be very wide variations in the number of people from constituency to constituency in an attempt to ensure that wards are not broken up at all. It is true that the Delimitation Act says that in forming the constituencies regard should be had to the fact that administrative units are not broken up as far as practicable but this is only a factor to be taken into consideration whereas there is a positive direction in article 170(3) of the Constitution that in forming the constituencies the number of people to be represented by a member in an Assembly constituency shall be the same as far as practicable, and we consider that in the joint application of these two principles, one of which is mandatory and the other only recommendatory, the State Government are amply justified in placing a relatively greater emphasis on what the Constitution directs than what the Delimitation Act asks to be taken into consideration only. We notice that in forming the Assembly constituencies in Calcutta the State Government's proposals have ensured the closest possible approximation to the average number of people per seat, and while it is true that a few wards have had to be broken up in giving effect to this principle, we also notice that, in such cases, the constituencies have been formed with complete wards *plus* the required portion of another ward which has been clearly described with reference to well-known street boundaries to which the people of the locality are admittedly accustomed. In a city like Calcutta, people are seldom familiar with the territorial extent of a municipal ward, so that not much importance need be attached to the need for keeping a ward intact as the Commission has sought to attach.

It is true that the Commission has avoided breaking up wards. But as the Government of West Bengal have rightly pointed out, these wards are not well-known administrative units like mufassal police stations. In fact they themselves are constituencies—and that even, very recently created—only for the limited purpose of municipal elections. The police-stations even now cover different areas: the ration-areas, when they existed, were not co-extensive with the wards. There is no question of communication difficulties with regard to Calcutta constituencies. For these various reasons, no undue emphasis should be placed on the wards in delimiting Calcutta constituencies and they may be broken up when there are other important reasons for doing so.

WEST DINAJPUR

On the basis of the Scheduled Tribe population of this district, only 1·17 or 1 seat is admissible for Scheduled tribes in this district. We, however, notice that the Commission has allotted a second seat for Scheduled tribes in this district whereas a similar seat admissible to the 24-Parganas district on the basis of its Scheduled tribe population (0·57 seat=1 seat) has been withdrawn. It appears that the Scheduled tribe population in the particular constituency of the West Dinajpur district in which the Commission has placed the second tribal seat numbers 31, 207 whereas the Scheduled tribe population in the constituency in the Sandeshkhali area of the 24-Parganas district where the State Government have placed a tribal seat is about 20,000 only. It also appears that the Commission interprets section 8(2)(d) of the Delimitation Commission Act to mean that a tribal seat is to be located *in the Constituency* in which the Scheduled tribe population is most concentrated, for which reason the Commission apparently considers that a second tribal seat in the Gangarampur constituency of the West Dinajpur district would be more justified than in any constituency in the 24-Parganas district. We do not, however, think that Section 8(2)(d) of the Act is capable of the interpretation placed upon it by the Commission. In our opinion, section 8(2)(d) means that the tribal seat is to be placed in the areas or regions in which the tribal population is most concentrated irrespective of whether, in the particular constituency in that region in which the seat is placed, the concentration is not so heavy. If in the areas of the 24-parganas district the concentration of tribal population is such that a tribal seat is justified in that region rather than in the West Dinajpur region, the tribal seat should be

placed in the 24-Parganas district rather than in the West Dinajpur district irrespective of the fact that in a particular constituency in the West Dinajpur district the tribal population may be higher than in any constituency in the 24-Parganas district. We accordingly think that the second tribal seat in the Gangarampur constituency should be withdrawn from the West Dinajpur district and restored to the 24-Parganas district to which it properly belongs.

NADIA

We find that the State Government have distributed the 2 Scheduled Caste seats by forming 2 double-member constituencies *viz.*, (1) Santipur P. S. and 4 unions of Kotwali P. S. and Ranaghat P. S. excluding 10 unions and including Ranaghat Municipality, Birnagar Municipality and 2 big refugee camps, (2) Haringhata P. S., Chakdah P. S. and 10 Unions of Ranaghat P. S. (*vide* State Government Table,—XVI—serial Nos. 8 & 9 and 10 & 11).

The Delimitation Commission in their latest draft proposals have set up 2 double-member constituencies in the following manner:—

- (1) P. S. Chapra and P. S. Krishnagunge and 6 unions of Kotwali P. S. and 4 unions of Nakasipara P. S. in sadar sub-division and also Hanskhali P. S. excluding 4 unions in Ranaghat sub-division.
- (2) Santipur P. S. and Ranaghat P. S. excluding 10 unions and 4 unions of Hanskhali P. S.

From the above we find that the State Government's proposed constituency as mentioned in (1) above and the Commission's constituency as mentioned in (2) above are almost the same and located in the same region with the important difference that the Commission has taken a few unions from Hanskhali P. S. which forms part of the existing Chapra constituency.

It appears, however, that the Commission's formation of the double-member constituency of Chapra is altogether different. It has caused greater disintegration of the administrative units by splitting up 7 police stations, instead of 6 split up by the State Government, and even by splitting up the sub-divisions. In the double-member constituency of Chapra altogether 5 Police Stations either wholly or partly have b

added comprising a vast and unwieldy area stretching over two sub-divisions intersected by 4 rivers, some of which are so circuitous as to necessitate crossing them more than once, making the problem of communications very difficult, particularly for want of direct roads through those Police Stations.

The concentration of Scheduled Caste population as shown in the latest proposal is not very different from that shown in the proposals of the State Government. On the other hand, the latter proposals are better in respect of compactness of the regions and facilities of communications, which are two most important considerations.

The average population in Krishnagar (Kotwali) Constituency as distributed by the Commission is higher.

Moreover, from the important standpoint of one's serving the constituency, we find that the State Government's proposals seek to create a double-member constituency entirely in a new region, *viz.*, Haringhata P. S. and Chakdah P. S. regions, the Scheduled Caste population being almost equal, whereas the Commission has proposed to wipe out one or the other existing general seat the latest being Kaliganj constituency and Ranaghat constituency by merging in other constituencies.

It appears from the overall aspect of the two sets of proposals that the State Government's proposals are much more practical and better, so far as the Nadia district Assembly Constituencies are concerned.

MIDNAPUR

With respect to the delimitation of Assembly Constituencies in the Midnapore District we accept the Commission's revised proposals except the delimitation of Tamluk subdivision, *i.e.*, Panskura West (No. 111), Panskura East (112), Tamluk (113), Nandigram North (114), Nandigram South (115), Mahisadal (116), (which is a double seated constituency), Moyna (117), and also Jhargram (98) and Gopiballavpur (99). The delimitation suggested by the Commission is not quite upto the mark as one end of a constituency is not easily accessible from the other end: further, the constituencies are generally of irregular shape. We accordingly suggest the following constituencies in lieu of the above and we hope that our suggestions would be found acceptable because they

- (i) compact and contiguous and
- (ii) well-shaped and each

part of each of the suggested constituencies would be more easily accessible from the other parts for reasons of better communication facilities than exist in the constituencies suggested by the Commission. Suggestions are given below:—

No.	Name of the Constituency	Area of the Constituency	Population
1	2	3	4
111	Panskura West	Union Nos. 2, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 & 17 of Panskura P. S. plus Union No. 10 of Tamluk P.S.	1,06,848
112	Panskura East	Union Nos. 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 & 8 of Panskura P. S. plus Union Nos. 1 & 2 of Tamluk P. S.	1,00,963
113	Tamluk	Tamluk P. S. minus Union Nos. 1, 2, 10 & 11.	1,01,158
114	Nandigram North	Union Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5 of Nandigram P. S. plus Union Nos. 2, 5, 6 & 7 of Mahishadal P. S.	1,06,995
115	Nandigram South	Nandigram P.S. excluding Union Nos. 1 to 5.	1,02,619
116	Mahishadal	Union Nos. 1, 3, 4, 8 to 12 of Mahishadal P.S. plus Sutahata P.S. plus Union No. 11 of Tamluk P.S.	2,02,741
117	Moyna	Moyna P.S. plus Union Nos. 4 to 9 of Pingla P.S.	1,06,824
98	Jhargram	Jhargram P.S. excluding Union Nos. 8 & 9 plus Jambani P.S. excluding Union No. 7.	1,10,000
99	Gopiballavpur	Gopiballavpur P.S. plus Sankrail P.S. plus Nayagram P.S. plus Union No. 7 of Jambani P.S.	2,04,719

MURSHIDABAD

We have no comments to offer on the Commission's proposals for Assembly constituencies in this district except only in one respect. In the Lalgola constituency the Commission has taken unions 3 and 4 of P. S. Bhagabangola along with P. S. Lalgola, but we suggest that unions 3 and 5 of P. S. Bhagabangola be taken instead. Communications between unions 3 and 5 are easier, apart from these two unions being more clearly contiguous. This is also the position in the existing constituency. Union 4 is better connected with the Bhagabangola constituency as the greater part of it is in the char kutibari (in the river Padma) which can be reached from the Lalgola constituency only after passing through the Bhagabangola constituency. Union 4 should accordingly be included in the Bhagabangola constituency.

BANKURA, BURDWAN AND 24-PARGANAS

DISTRICTS

In regard to the above three districts, we have carefully considered the Commission's revised draft proposals in the light of the State Government's proposals which we have already supported. We still think that the State Government's proposals, which appear to have been drawn up on the basis of their adequate local knowledge about facility of communications and have ensured the closest possible approximation to the average number of people per Assembly seat, are much better than the Commission's proposals and should accordingly be accepted.

With regard to the Commission's revised proposals for Assembly constituencies in the Darjeeling, Jalpaiguri, Cooch Behar, Malda, Birbhum, Hooghly and Howrah districts, we find them generally acceptable.

PARLIAMENTARY CONSTITUENCIES

We generally agree with the distribution of Parliamentary seats between the different districts as made in the Commission's revised draft proposals. We particularly appreciate the Commission's difficulty in adhering to their original proposals under which the 24-Parganas district, in spite of being entitled to 6 complete Parliamentary constituencies on the basis of 42 Assembly seats, was made to part with 2 Assembly seats in favour of Calcutta, 3 Assembly seats in favour of

Nadia and 2 Assembly seats in favour of Midnapore, for completing the necessary Parliamentary constituencies in those regions. We now find that the Commission has had to abandon that scheme with a view to doing justice to the 24-Parganas district and also because the former Mahisadal constituency which would have extended across the Bay of Bengal was difficult to justify. We duly appreciate the considerations which weighed with the Commission in revising the original scheme.

We do not, however, necessarily support the *actual extent* of the Parliamentary constituencies as formed by the Commission. We recommend that the actual extent of each Parliamentary constituency be re-drawn in terms of the Assembly constituencies in the Commission's proposals which we have accepted and the Assembly constituencies which we have recommended above in deviation from the Commission's proposals.

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